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Puneeth Rajkumar laid to rest

Over 10 lakh people pay last respects from Friday noon till today early hours

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai bidding an affectionate goodbye to Puneeth Rajkumar this morning before the final procession at the Kanteerava Stadium. Folding his hands, Bommai was tearful and affectionately kissed Puneeth's forehead.

Bengaluru, Oct. 31 (Agencies)- Kannada actor Puneeth Rajkumar, who died on Oct. 29, was buried with State honours next to his parents Dr. Rajkumar and Parvathamma Rajkumar at Sree Kanteerava Studios this morning in the presence of family, friends, colleagues from the film industry and dignitaries. The sombre ceremony concluded by 8 am.

Puneeth, youngest of the five children of thespian and matinee idol Dr. Rajkumar, passed away at the age of 46, after suffering a cardiac arrest. He was referred to as 'Power Star' and 'Appu' by his fans. Vinay Rajkumar, the elder son of Raghavendra Rajkumar, conducted the rituals as per the family's traditions for his uncle's final journey.

Even though fans of Appu were not allowed at the funeral site, they gathered outside and chanted 'Appu Amara' (Appu is immortal) in unison.

His mortal remains were brought in a procession from Kanteerava Stadium, which began around 5 am and reached Kanteerava Studios. Karnataka Police offered a 21-gun salute before Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai handed over the National Flag, which had been wrapped around the mortal remains of Puneeth Rajkumar, to his wife Ashwini Revanth, in presence of Puneeth's daughters Dhruti and Vanditha.

(See PUNEETH RAJKUMAR on page 6)

Holiday

*Our offices will remain closed tomorrow on account of **Kannada Rajyotsava**. Hence, there will be no issue of **Star of Mysore** dated **Nov. 1, 2021.***

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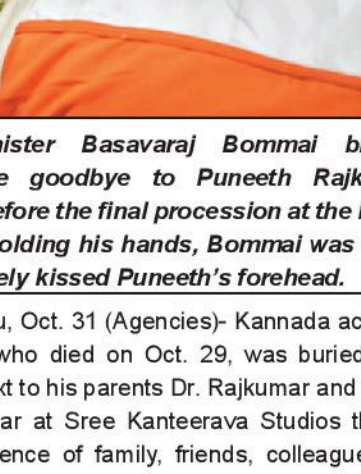

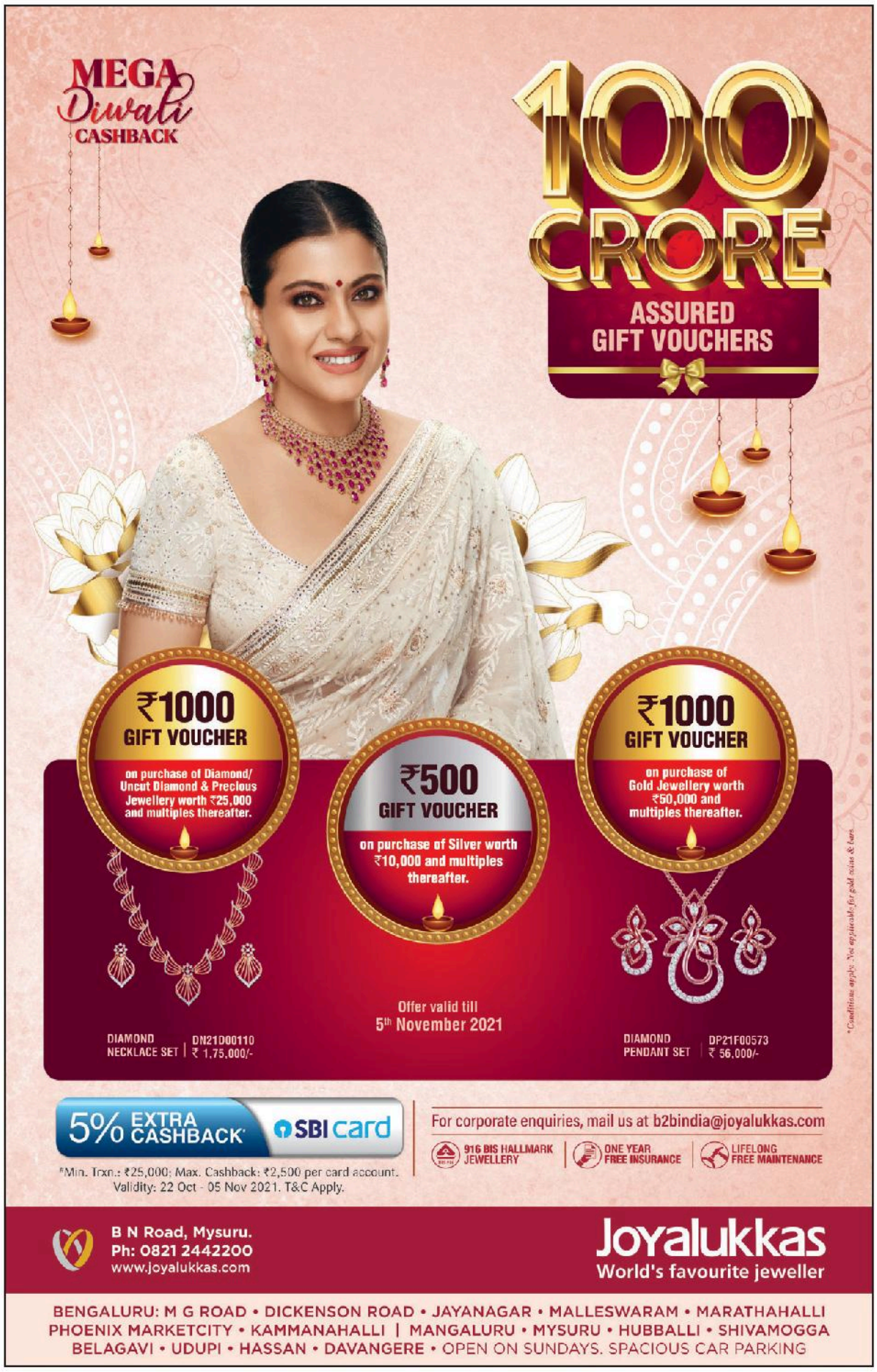

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 31st October 2021

Certificate Course on Flour Milling Technology held at CFTRI

Mysuru, Oct. 31- CSIR-CFTRI has been conducting one-year International Certificate course in Flour Milling Technology at its International School of Milling Technology (ISMT) since 1981. So far, 836 participants including 117 from other developing countries of Gulf region, Africa, South America and Asia have been trained at this Centre.

ISMT is first-of-its-kind in South East Asia housing a 20 tonnes per day fully dedicated PLC controlled pilot roller flour mill, where students are taught on milling systems as per the domestic and international standards. It is also equipped with analytical laboratory for testing physico-chemical attributes of raw material and finished products.

In addition, pilot scale baking facilities are available for assessing quality of milled products. The Millers completing the course are most sought after in Gulf and African countries.

The ISMT alumni are representing 70-80 percent of the flour manufacturers worldwide including big players like ITC, Adani Willmar, IFFCO (Sharjah), National Flour Mills (Dubai), Dufil Group (Nigeria), Flour Mills of Nigeria, etc. Further, ISMT alumni has been networking with all the stakeholders associated with the Industry.

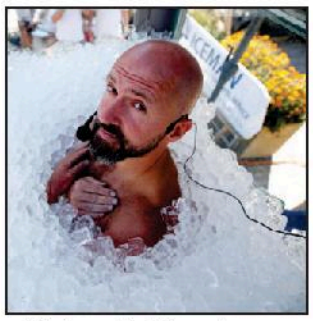
S.K. Ramprasad, Managing Director, Muhlenbau Equipments Pvt. Ltd, Bengaluru, delivered the valedictory address. Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh, Director, CSIR-CFTRI, presided. Dr. Suresh D. Sakhare, Coordinator, ISMT, welcomed. Basavaraj Mundalamani, Convener, ISMT, was present. On the occasion, meritorious students were awarded medals: G. Annapoorneshwari - G.K. Jalan Gold Medal, Deccan Flour Mills; V. Sugatha - Delhi Flour Mills Silver Medal; Pradeep Kumar Marure - Shivaji Roller Flour Mills Bronze Medal; V. Sugatha - Dr. S.R. Shurpalekar Cereal Science Gold Medal; Machani Pavani - Dr. Indrani Dassappa, Baking Science Gold Medal.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Narendra Modi turned 71 last month. It is tempting to compare his situation to that of India's first Prime Minister on his own 71st birthday. Like Jawaharlal Nehru in 1960, Modi has become synonymous not merely with his own administration, but with the Republic as a whole. His command over his party is total; he faces a weak and fragmented Opposition. The inequality in status between the PM and his Ministers is so great as to make nonsense of the idea of a Cabinet Government. Every achievement or new scheme is branded with the Prime Minister's name and face, but no failure seems to taint him. In the early 1960s, many commentators believed that Indian democracy would not survive Nehru's death. Now, in a country of 1.4 billion, Modi has successfully persuaded voters that there is no alternative to him. The complete Modification of the Republic is sometimes attributed to the Prime Minister's own gifts, sometimes to the inadequacies of the present set of Nehru-Gandhis, sometimes to socio-political climate change that across continents has proved salubrious to populist-nationalist strongmen. All these factors have played their part. But a fourth factor is overlooked. Narendra Modi is, quite literally, a survivor. He dominates the scene because a generation of Indian politicians — his generation — died before their time. — *Keshava Guha in Ndtv.com*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Sits in ice for 3 hours to break world record



Vilnius: A Lithuanian man put his endurance to the test by spending 3 hours and 1 minute submerged up to his neck in ice to break a Guinness World Record.

Valerjan Romanovski took on the Guinness record for longest duration of full body contact with ice by climbing into a glass container filled with ice cubes on the main square in the historic Vilnius Old Town in Lithuania. Guinness World Records representatives were on hand to monitor the attempt, which lasted for 3 hours and 1 minute. Guinness officials said it will take some time still to verify the record.

At present the record is held by French endurance enthusiast Romaine Vandendorpe, who spent 2 hours and 35 minutes submerged in ice in December 2020.

Escobar's hippos are now legal persons in the US

Ohio: A group of about 100 hippos, who are descendants of hippos that were owned by late drug lord Pablo Escobar, have been recognised as legal persons in the US.

The US District Court for the Southern District of Ohio recognised the hippos as legal persons recently, an important step in trying to save the animals as authorities in Colombia have discussed killing them since 2009.

Colombian attorney Luis Domingo Gómez Maldonado filed a lawsuit on the animals' behalf in July to save them from being killed, stating that sterilisation would be a better option. The Animal Defense League applied on behalf of the hippos and to compel two Ohio wildlife experts who study non-surgical sterilisation to provide testimony.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Requirements for labour epidural are pregnant woman's consent, ability to lie or sit still for the procedure, facilities for monitoring both mother and baby & a skilled Anaesthesiologist.

By Dr. Radhika Deva - Consultant – Anaesthesiology

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Teresian College NSS Unit holds legal awareness on ill-effects of drug abuse

Mysuru, Oct. 31- The NSS Unit of Teresian College, Mysuru, in association with District Legal Services Authority had organised an awareness programme on ill-effects of drug abuse to the students recently.

The chief guest P. Srinivasa, Judge, Mysore Sessions Court (Industrial Tribunal), enlightened the students about the world of judiciary, the opportunities they have, the help they render to those who are financially weak.

He also threw light on the new dimensions of social needs to unquote it with law.

Hemalatha, Advocate, spoke about different social ideas, different kinds of drugs, uses and abuses of them on human mindset and the reasons stated behind it.

Dr. Sr. Juanita, Director, Teresian Institutions, spoke about the need for awareness of the law to overcome social issues. Dr. C. Jeyanthi, Principal, welcomed. R.S. Kavitha, Zoology Department, proposed a vote of thanks. The staff and students (both UG and PG) were present.

REALLY...?

- ***Britain's favourite dish has Indian roots: Chicken tikka masala has become one of Britain's national dishes — some say it has overtaken Fish and Chips. Although there are discrepancies about how this favoured curry came to be in the UK — whether it was created in the '70s by a Bangladeshi chef in Glasgow or simply inspired by butter chicken — the tikka part of the dish originated some 5,000 years ago in India.***
- ***The majority of the population is Hindu: Nearly 80 percent of India's population are Hindu, 15 percent are Muslim and millions more are Sikh, Jain or Christian.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Man: *What is the name of your car?*
Lady: *I forgot the name but it starts with T.*
Man: *Oh, what a strange car that starts with Tea! All cars that I know start with petrol !*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.92
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 102.60
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.40
1 Euro	= Rs. 86.63

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	OCTOBER 29	OCTOBER 30
Day's Positive Cases	55	44
Total Positive Cases	1,79,090	1,79,134
Day's Discharges	39	18
Total Discharges	1,76,395	1,76,413
Day's Deaths	0	1
Total Deaths	2,413	2,414
Total Active Cases	282	307

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Kudos to RTO for automation of services

Sir,

In response to letters from readers recently in *SOM* about DL licence test, here are my inputs: I appreciate the RTO authorities for complete automation of LL, DL issue and renewal by registration and payments through online web portal. This has eliminated the middlemen, agents and touts at RTO for these services.

Further, strict implementation in LL, DL issuance with Driving Track Test has eliminated youngsters and others getting the same by hook or crook.

As per suggestion from other readers, I would suggest RTO to make this a permanent feature by streamlining like:

1. Increase the time limit for reverse "S" for four-wheelers.

2. Adopt the minimum attempts of failures in certain cases like half clutch test for four-wheelers.

3. **Eliminate the road test for long time DL licence holders and senior citizens for renewal of licence.**

4. Issue registration to new vehicles online as per the new policy eliminating inspection visit to RTO.

—Harish Boraiah
Vijayanagar 2nd Stage
29.10.2021

Obituary

Anil Kumar

Mysuru, Oct. 31- Anil Kumar (37), a resident of Gokulam, passed away at his native place Koppa in Maddur taluk yesterday. He was running a service station on Gokulam Main Road.

He leaves behind his wife, one son and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam yesterday afternoon, according to family sources.

Chief Minister to offer *bagina* to Kabini, KRS on Nov. 2

Bommai

Srirangapatna, Oct. 31 (Vinay Karekura & BCT)- With both the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam in Srirangapatna taluk of Mandya district and Kabini Reservoir in H.D. Kote taluk filling to the brim, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will offer the customary *bagina* to River Cauvery at KRS and to River Kabini on Nov. 2, Tuesday.

The date has been confirmed by the CM's Office and the communiqué stated that Basavaraj Bommai will leave Bengaluru on Nov. 2 in a chopper at 11 am and land first near a helipad at Kabini Dam and offer *bagina* there first. Later he will fly to Srirangapatna and then offer *bagina* to River Cauvery at about 1 pm. He will return to Bengaluru in the same chopper, the communiqué read.

Meanwhile, a helipad is getting ready near KRS Dam for the CM's chopper to land. "We have made all preparations and have taken stock of the security situation. We have cleared the weeds and made all arrangements," officials and Srirangapatna Police said.

Today, the water-level at the Dam stood at 124.80 ft as against the maximum level of 124.80 ft, with inflow of 6,447 cusecs and outflow of 6,190 cusecs.

Sources said that the CNNL has informed the CM's Office about the same.

The level at Kabini Dam stands at 2,284 ft as against a maximum level of 2,284 ft.

In 2019, the KRS Reservoir created a record of sorts by maintaining the maximum water level of 124.80 ft for 98 successive days. The dates on which the KRS Dam became full in the previous years is as follows:

2005 - Aug. 11; 2006 - July 25; 2007 - July 15; 2008 - Aug. 15; 2009 - July 24; 2010 - Oct. 28; 2011 - Aug. 17; 2013 - Aug. 1; 2014 - Aug. 7; 2018 - July 20; 2019 - Aug. 15; 2020 - Aug. 14; 2021 - Oct. 29.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Zoo, Karanji Lake open on Tuesday

On account of Kannada Rajyotsava, Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens (Mysuru Zoo) and Karanji Lake Nature Park will be open for public on Tuesday (Nov. 2), according to a press release from the Zoo Executive Director.

Yoga Camp from tomorrow

Sri Paramahamsa Yoga Mahavidyalaya, as part of Kannada Rajyotsava, will be conducting a 30-day yoga camp at its premises in No. 1691, 7th and 8th Cross, E & F Block, Ramakrishnanagar, from Nov. 1 to 30 in the morning and evening sessions. The camp features Ashtanga Yoga, Therapeutic Yoga, Weight-loss Yoga, Advance Yoga, Yoga for Children, Counselling and Hypnotherapy. For details, contact Mob: 90087-27172, according to a press release from Sri Paramahamsa Yoga Mahavidyalaya Director M.S. Vikram.

Old Age Home admission

Siddaganga Health Seva Trust Old Age Home, located at No. 1075, C&D Block, Gange Road, near Lava-Kusha Park, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru, provides medical treatment to needy inmates. Those interested to join the Old Age Home, may contact Mob: 97421-42906 or 97428-09058, according to a press release from Old Age Home President L.R. Ashok.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Today	:	124.80	feet
Yesterday	:	124.80	feet
Inflow	:	6,447	cusecs
Outflow	:	6,190	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2,284.00	feet
Inflow	:	2,272	cusecs
Outflow	:	816	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,857.66	feet
Inflow	:	222	cusecs
Outflow	:	1,600	cusecs

Sale of green crackers permitted for ten days from tomorrow

Mysuru, Oct. 31 (RK,MK&DM)- With Deepavali festival to be held from Nov. 3 to 5, the MCC has granted permission for setting up of only green cracker stalls in city for 10 days from Nov. 1 to 10.

Lakshmikantha Reddy

MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy said that following a Supreme Court direction on bursting of crackers during Deepavali, the State Government has issued guidelines on permitting setting up of cracker stalls. Accordingly, sale of only green crackers is allowed. Pointing out that sale of crackers made using Barium Nitrate and other crackers that cause smoke is prohibited, he said that cracker sellers will have to only sell eco-friendly green crackers.

Noting that all cracker stalls will have to get the mandatory permission from all concerned departments and competent authorities, Reddy said that cracker stalls should be set up only at public grounds and other open spaces which are far away from residential localities. Also, there should be a 6 mt. gap between two stalls and all stalls are required to keep hand sanitisers and also ensure that customers wear face mask and maintain physical distancing in keeping with COVID appropriate behaviour. Stressing on the need for stall owners to conduct thermal screening of customers for body temperature, he clarified that the license for stalls will be issued subject to certain conditions in accordance with Government SOPs.

The MCC has permitted setting up of cracker stalls at several points in city including J.K. Grounds, Chamundipuram Circle, near Bandanthamma Temple on Kantharaj Urs Road, near Surya Bakery at Hebbal, at the space along Rane Madras Factory Road in Hebbal Industrial Area, near Vijayanagar water tank and Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Circle.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Sudarshan of Santosh Crackers said that one of the conditions set out by the MCC for issuance of License is that only green crackers that emanate less smoke be sold. Pointing out that sellers are expecting a good business this time as COVID pandemic has receded, he said that the authorities must not unnecessarily harass cracker sellers in the name of green crackers. Maintaining that cracker manufacturing had taken a hit due to COVID crisis, Sudarshan said that crackers are not being supplied in accordance with the demand. However, cracker sellers cannot hike the prices for the reason that crackers are in short supply, he added.

V. Ravi of Ravi crackers, said that cracker sales took a beating last year due to COVID and rains. Expressing fear that rains may play spoilsport this year too, he said that cracker sales below expected lines will result in losses.

What are green crackers?

Green crackers are eco-friendly crackers causing less pollution. These crackers are made with a reduced shell size and produce less emissions than normal crackers besides emitting less sound compared to non-green variants.

Cracker stalls coming up sans license

With the festival of lights round the corner, many cracker stalls are coming up unauthorisedly at J.K. Grounds in the heart of the city. The cracker sellers seem to be getting prepared for selling of crackers and earthen lamps even before the MCC and other competent authorities issue license or No Objection Certificate (NOC) for setting up stalls.

Even as about 10 cracker stalls have come up at J.K. Grounds ahead of Deepavali, Vijaykumar, a cracker seller, said that though the stalls are coming up, the sale of crackers will begin only after getting license from the MCC and NOCs from departments such as Fire and Emergency Services, Police and CESC. Maintaining that erection of stalls requires at least 2-3 days, he said that erection of stalls will help the sellers to start business immediately after they get all required permission.

Contending that the Government has granted permission only for selling of only green crackers just like last year, Muthuraj, another cracker seller said that as directed by the Government, only green crackers will be sold. Asserting that cracker manufacturers too are focusing much on green crackers only, he said that J.K. Grounds used to have nearly 30 stalls in the past. But the COVID pandemic has hit cracker business and as such only a few stalls are coming up this year.

Expressing deep condolence over the sudden demise of actor Puneeth Rajkumar, Muthuraj said that cracker stall owners will stop sale of crackers if there is a public demand to do so in the wake of the popular actor's death. In a related development, the sale of earthen lamps too has begun at many places across the city. Earthen lamps are being sold at Devaraja Market, Agrahara Circle, M.G. Road Vegetable Market, opposite J.K. Grounds, near Ballal Circle and near other prominent junctions in city. However, many vendors said that business is poor as Deepavali is still three days away.

Meanwhile, MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy said that cracker sellers must obtain license from MCC Zone-6 Office for sale of crackers. Stating that getting License and No Objection Certificates from concerned departments is mandatory for all cracker stalls, he said that he will seek inputs from concerned officials on unauthorised erection of cracker stalls.

'Mysuru to get revised Master Plan next year'

Mysuru, Oct. 31 (RKB&DM)- With the city's population rising by the day, MUDA (Mysuru Urban Development Authority) Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh said that the Authority will come up with a revised Master Plan next year (2022).

Dr. Natesh

He was speaking at the 'Phone-in programme on MUDA future plans,' organised at JSS 91.2 FM Radio Centre in JSS College of Arts, Science and Commerce on Ooty road in city on Friday.

Highlighting MUDA's plans for improving the city's infrastructure, Dr. Natesh said that the plan features construction of another Outer Ring Road, introduction of Metro Lite or Metro Neo scheme to ease vehicular movement etc., Pointing out that the expert committee on Metro Neo Rail Project that is currently operational at Nashik in Maharashtra, has been sought to carry out a technical and feasibility study in Mysuru, Dr. Natesh observed that Mysuru needed another Outer Ring Road for decongesting traffic and MUDA is carrying out technical studies in this regard.

Stating that MUDA is planning to reserve land for Start-ups, Manufacturing Industries, Software companies, Educational Institutions etc., along Hunsur, H.D. Kote and T. Narasipur Roads, he said that the revised Master Plan is being prepared keeping in mind the growth of the city in the next 50 years. The revised Master Plan map, which is expected to be complete in 2022, will be discussed at the Council meeting and subsequently forwarded to the Government for approval, he added. Referring to drinking water problems, Dr. Natesh said that an augmented water supply scheme is being planned to meet the drinking water needs of the city for the next 20 years.

Replying to a query by Mysuru Industries Association Secretary Suresh Kumar Jain on dumping of wastes around J.K. Tyres factory on KRS Road and poor state of roads and drainage in Hebbal Industrial Area, Dr. Natesh assured that the issues will be addressed soon. Stating that MUDA will develop its future layouts as per AMRUT scheme, he said that the revised Master Plan will have all data on power lines, UGD Connections, drinking water pipeline and all other civic amenities.

Continuing, the MUDA Commissioner said that MUDA has so far distributed 1.4 lakh houses and sites to applicants since its establishment. The MUDA has proposed to form residential layouts along Bogadi and H.D. Kote Roads, he said adding that the affordable Group Housing Project in the city has been sent to the Government for approval.

JSS Radio Centre Co-ordinator Shivakumar and others were present.

Forest Dept. removes trees planted by its own staff

The row of trees on the side of the Service Road that are waiting to be axed.

Mysuru, Oct. 31 (MTY&KS)- The Forest Department is removing trees of various species planted by its own staff on the 9 km stretch of the National Highway (NH) service road from Bannur Ring Road junction (Devegowda Circle) to APMC Yard on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road and are translocating them to other places to facilitate widening of the service road on the above 9 km stretch.

There are 537 varieties of trees which were planted by the Forest Department in 2017-18 on the 9 km stretch and now, the same Department are removing them. The process of translocating the trees has begun about two days ago

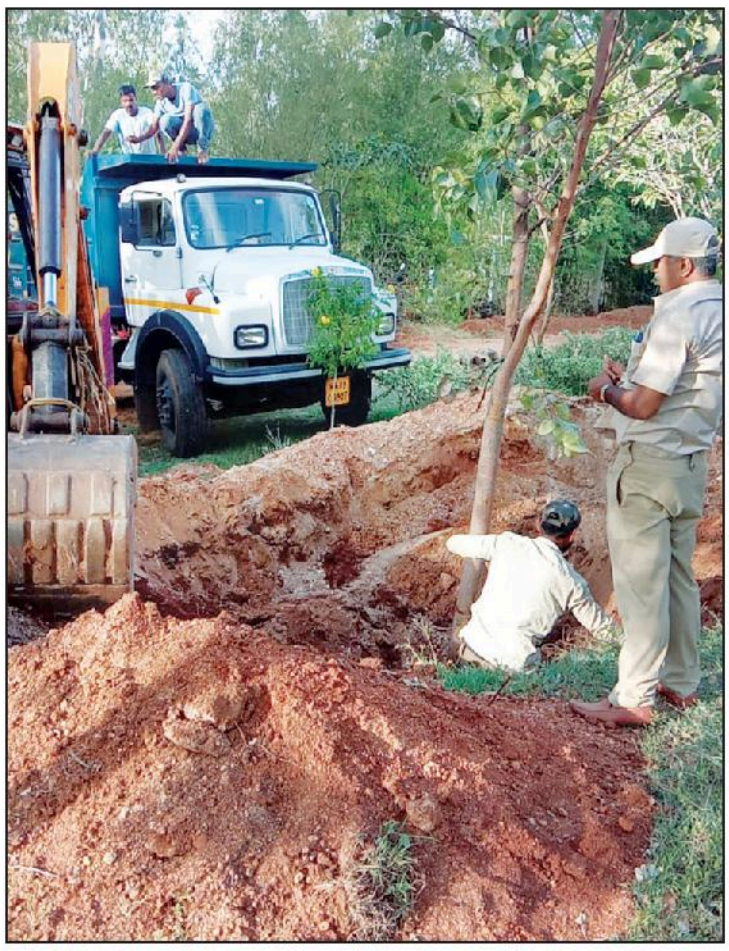
According to sources in the Forest Department, Peepal, Banyan and Java Fig trees numbering about 120, would be translocated from the roadside and planted at Daivi Vana, selected spots on Chamundi Hill Road and at various tree parks in city. But the remaining trees such as Bete (Rosewood tree), Honne, Neem and other species cannot be translocated, sources added. This means, a total of 417 trees would be axed.

Meanwhile, experts say the translocation of trees is a complex and delicate process whose outcome cannot be predicted. A tree cannot be transplanted by simply uprooting it and placing it in a pit dug elsewhere. The process involves multiple steps and requires significant expertise.

Even after all steps are meticulously followed, a lot depends on luck. The survival rate of a transplanted tree is about 50 percent. If it survives, the tree may take up to 10 years to grow a full canopy similar to what it originally had.

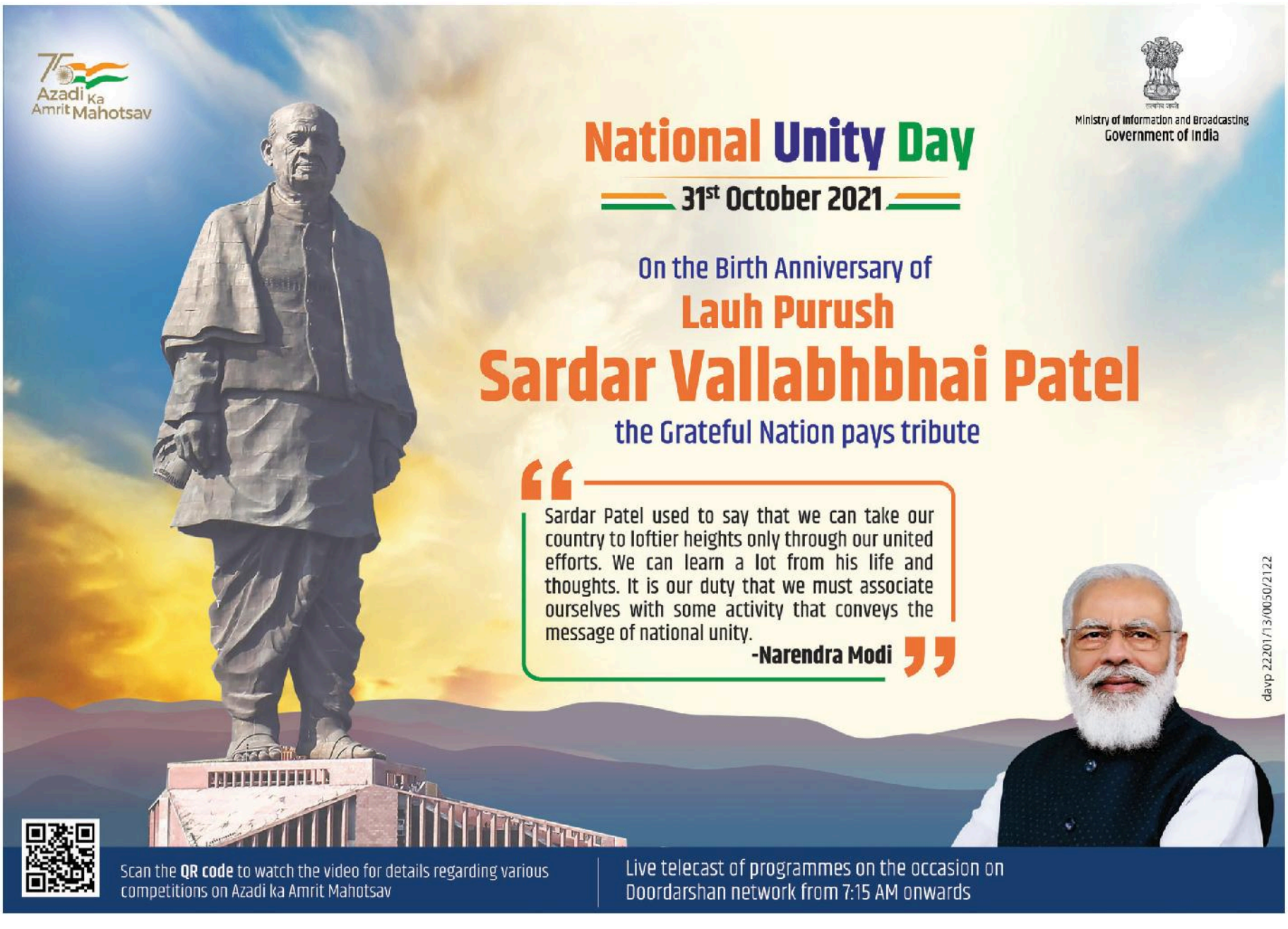
Not all trees can be transplanted. While Peepal, Ficus, Semal and Sheesham are tolerant to transplantation, other species are not. Any tree that has a tap root system cannot be transplanted, as the root goes deep into the soil and it is not possible to isolate it without damage, experts added.

Yesterday, a public hearing by the Forest Department on felling of 537 trees planted by them on the 9 km stretch of the National Highway (NH) service road was held, during which environmentalists took strong objections to axing tree by tearing up consent letters that were in favour of felling trees. But the Forest Department, which had already decided to translocate 120 trees before the public hearing, have begun the process of translocating the trees about two days ago.



Forest Department staff translocating a tree in Daivi Vana at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

The environmentalists alleged that saplings of various tree species were planted by the Forest Department, who had nurtured the saplings which have now grown into small trees. Why plant, nurture and then kill them? they questioned.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the Grateful Nation pays tribute
Sardar Patel used to say that we can take our country to loftier heights only through our united efforts. We can learn a lot from his life and thoughts. It is our duty that we must associate ourselves with some activity that conveys the message of national unity.
-Narendra Modi
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Scan the QR code to watch the video for details regarding various competitions on Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav
Live telecast of programmes on the occasion on Doordarshan network from 7:15 AM onwards

No funds to repair burnt Kannada library

Mysuru, Oct. 31 (MTY&BCT)- Tomorrow is November 1, Kannada Rajyotsava but the Kannada library that was reduced to ashes in April this year in the city still remains in a shambles. None of the promises that were made after the library was burnt were fulfilled and even after seven months, nothing has moved on the construction front. And Syed Isak, the man who had built the library, is helpless. His reading space still functions from the open space and he and his readers have to duck for cover when it rains.

"Now the officials say that there is no money and grants are awaited. I carry over 200 books daily to the library from my home in batches and carry them back in the evening. Even now over 100 people come here daily to read newspapers and books. How can I tell them no? When it rains, I cover the books with plastic sheets," he told *Star of Mysore*.

Syed Isak has never been to school but his love for books gave wings to his dream of setting up a library. On April 9 this year, this library at Rajivnagar 2nd Stage — with 85 percent of books in Kannada and newspapers of various languages — was reduced to ashes. Later it was discovered by the Police that an ignited match stick thrown into a sofa repair shop behind the library caused the fire.

Sixty-two-year-old Syed Isak, an underground drainage cleaner, painstakingly set up the library in 2011 to encourage people to read books. And the library became popular too. "My Kannada library is located in an area where there is a majority of the Urdu-speaking population and Kannada language must be propagated in areas like these," he said.

Soon after the library was gutted, many online fund-raiser campaigns were launched and many Kannada book publishers, academics and politicians reached out to Syed to help him rebuild his dream. It was announced that the library would be built at the same spot and would be jointly funded by MCC, MUDA and Department of Libraries.

A joint statement was released by officers that said that the construction would be carried out by Nirmithi Kendra. They also said they had not sought donations from the public for constructing the library and an exclusive bank account was opened to keep the donations for the sake of transparency and accountability.

The officials had stated that April 23 had been fixed as the date for laying the foundation stone for the library to coincide with World Book Day. But this did not happen due to Government's COVID restrictions. Even after the pandemic has eased now, there is no news from the officials.

"Though I was promised that the library would be built at the same spot, till now no foundation stone-laying ceremony has been performed. MUDA has sanctioned the land and the original copy has been given to the Deputy Director of the Department of Libraries B. Manjunath. I was told that the foundation stone will be laid on Aug. 9, the birthday of S.R. Ranganathan, the father of Library Science in India. This did not happen unfortunately," he said.

"Now they are saying that there is no money for construction unless the grants come. MLA Zameer Ahmed Khan gave me Rs. 2 lakh, MP Pratap Simha gave Rs. 50,000 and Mysuru District Minister gave me Rs. 25,000. I have deposited the money in Karnataka Gramin Bank and have spent Rs. 7,000 for my library needs. I have not spent even a single rupee before and after that," he said.

'MCC has to release pending library cess'

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* regarding the state of the burnt down library, Deputy Director of the Department of Libraries B. Manjunath said that except for the building, everything else is ready and funds are awaited. The estimated cost of the building is Rs. 35 lakh and thousands of books are ready to be given to the library, he said.

B. Manjunath

"We have opened a separate account at SBI, Mysore Medical College Branch (Account No. No. 40137132558; IFSC Code: SBIN0040875) to receive financial help and to prevent misuse of funds but the account has fetched only Rs. 8,000. Over Rs. 20 lakh had been collected by a lady from an IT company through crowd-funding and that money has now been taken back by the lady herself and credited to the donor accounts," he said.

He said that the MCC is yet to release the pending library cess of Rs. 20 crore. "Every year Rs. 4-5 crore is collected in the form of library cess and of it, the MCC gives us only Rs. 1-2 crore. Also, there is a backlog of Rs. 20 crore and the Government has asked the MCC to clear the backlog in instalments of Rs. 5 crore per year. This too has not happened," Manjunath said.

The Dept. of Libraries has a routine budget of Rs. 4 crore including salaries, rent, maintenance, purchases of newspapers and magazines. "How are we supposed to maintain all these if the MCC does not release funds that have been collected as library cess? Also, we have requested Syed Isak to deposit the donations received to the official bank account but he has not done so. We had even assured him that he would be given a temporary job once the new library is constructed. He has not obliged," Manjunath added.

Puneeth Rajkumar laid to rest

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai handing over the National Flag, which was wrapped around the mortal remains of Puneeth Rajkumar, to his wife Ashwini Revanth, daughters Dhruti and Vanditha.

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The wife and daughters were seen holding on to each other and crying. This sight left many emotional and teary-eyed for their loss.

Shivarajkumar and Raghavendra Rajkumar broke down and wept uncontrollably as their brother was buried.

Fans will be allowed to the *samadhi* only after 'halu-tuppa' ceremony (offering of milk and ghee to the grave) on Tuesday.

Puneeth Rajkumar's untimely demise sent shock-waves across the country, with tributes pouring in from all quarters.

Puneeth's fans remembered the late actor as "one of the kindest and noblest" film stars.

People gathered on terraces of the buildings around Sree Kanteerava Studios and climbed trees around it to catch a glimpse of the late actor.

The family members thanked the State Government, Police and fans for the well-organised funeral. Even in the early hours of the day, the funeral procession was greeted by thousands of fans and well-wishers who paid their last respects.

Raghavendra Rajkumar stated that it was an appropriate decision by the Government to not allow the procession of the fans. "We have seen violence and damages to public properties at the time of my father's funeral. We didn't want this to happen. No one should get hurt," he said.

As many as 10,000 Police personnel were deputed to maintain law and order in Bengaluru city after Puneeth's death.

About 10 lakh people visited and paid their last respects from Friday noon till the early hours of today, the Police said.

Bharatanatyam at Ganabharathi

Mysuru, Oct. 31- Ganabharathi has organised a Bharatanayam recital by young artistes **Pooja Sugam** and **K.M. Samiksha** at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in Kuvempunagar on Nov. 1 at 6 pm.

They will be supported by Vid. Vijay Kumar, Chennai (natuvanga), Vid. R. Raghuram, Bengaluru (vocal), Vid. Nagai P. Sriram, Chennai (mridanga) and Vid. A.P. Krishnaprasad, Mysuru (flute).

For further details, contact Mob: 94480-51564.

Devotees can visit M.M. Hills Temple during *Deepavali*

Chamarajanagar, Oct. 31 (SS&DM)- With Corona pandemic receding, the Chamarajanagar District Administration, in a crucial decision, has allowed devotees to visit the famed M.M. Hills Temple (Malai Mahadeshwaraswamy Temple) in Hanur taluk of the district, during oncoming *Deepavali.*

This decision was taken at the M.M. Hills Temple Development Authority held at Chamarajanagar DC Office here on Thursday.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. M.R. Ravi, who presided over the meeting, said that though the devotees will be allowed to have *darshan* of the deity during *Deepavali,* there will be no *Rathotsava* and *Teppotsava* marking the festival.

Explaining the measures that will be taken for checking the spread of COVID pandemic, Dr. Ravi said that the Health Department will set up temporary health check-up camps. Also the devotees visiting the Hill Temple will be asked to compulsorily follow COVID Appropriate Behaviour and maintain hygiene in the vicinity.

M.M. Hills Temple Development Authority Secretary Jayavibhavaswamy said that an additional information kiosk will be set up adjacent to Jadekallu temple for the benefit of devotees. Besides, the existing kiosk at the bus stand will continue to work round the clock, he said adding that devotees cannot stay overnight at M.M. Hills.

Stating that there will be no *Deepavali Jatras,* he said that the Hill Temple will he shut for devotees from the afternoon of Nov. 3 till 12 noon the following day (Nov. 4) as 'Yenne Majjana' (oil bath) will be performed to the presiding deity. However, only local devotees will be allowed to participate and devotees from outside are strictly banned as a COVID precautionary measure, he clarified and added that the devotees can call the Authority's Helpline [1860-425-4350] for any help or guidance. He further said that the KSRTC will be operating 300 special trips to M.M. Hills from different destinations.

Salur Mutt Seer Shantamallikarjuna Swamiji, Additional DC S. Katyayini Devi, Assistant Commissioner Dr. Girish Badole, Additional SP K.S. Sundarraj, ZP Deputy Secretary Gudur Bhimasena and others were present.

Srikanteshwara, M.M. Hills Temples fetch Rs. 2.87 crore hundi collection

Hundi counting at M.M. Hills Temple.

Nanjangud/ Chamarajanagar, Oct. 31- Sri Srikanteshwara Temple at Nanjangud has fetched revenue of Rs. 1.58 crore in one month through *hundi* collections, according to Temple Chief Executive Officer Ravindra.

The temple's 24 *hundis* (offering boxes) were opened on Friday in the temple premises and the collections for the last one month were counted. Rs. 1,58,68,243 cash was collected along with 190 gram gold, 3.750 kg silver and nine foreign currencies. Interestingly, 40 demonetised notes of 500 denomination and four notes of 1,000 denomination worth Rs. 24,000 were found.

After the collections were counted, the cash has been deposited to Bank of Baroda, Nanjangud Branch.

The counting of *hundis* was taken up by more than 100 women temple staff and women Self-Help Groups (SHGs) members in the presence of Bank of Baroda staff.

Mysuru Assistant Commissioner Kamalabai, AEO Venkatesh Prasad, Accountant Gurumallaiah, Muzrai Tahsildar Krishna and temple staff Yamuna, Bank of Baroda Nanjangud branch Manager Harsha and other bank staff were present during the counting.

Male Mahadeshwara Swamy Kshetra Development Authority

The collection at *hundis* in Male Mahadeshwara Temple, Hanur taluk of Chamarajanagar district has fetched Rs. 1.29 crore revenue. The *hundi* collections yielded Rs. 1,29,82,174 cash, 44 gram gold, 1.3 kg silver. The counting was taken up on Friday.

Golden throne dismantled in Palace

Mysuru, Oct.31 (MTY&DM)- With Dasara-2021 festivities formally over, the precious gems studded Golden Throne *(Simhasana)* at Mysore Palace was dismantled this morning after 30-days of its assembly and is kept in the Palace strong room.

Ahead of Dasara, the Golden throne, weighing 280-kg was assembled on Oct.1. Along with the Golden throne, the

Silver *Bhadrasana* too was dismantled today and kept in the Palace strong room.

The Palace was closed for tourists and visitors till 2 pm this afternoon due to the dismantling of the Golden Throne.

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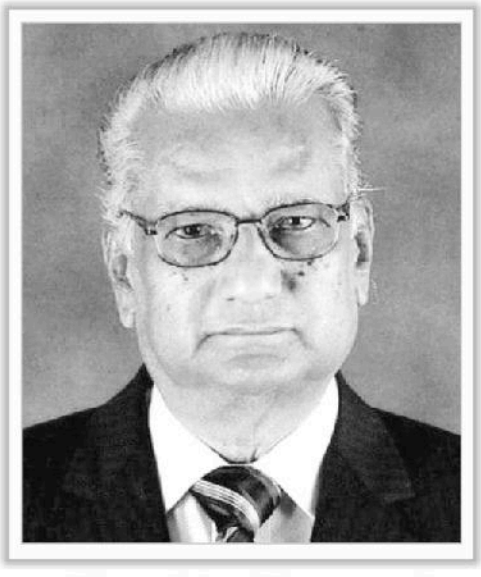

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Mysuru Literature Festival 2021

Helping women realise desires and sensuality through Henna

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: ***Shubha Sanjay Urs, Jayashree Jagannath, Alka Joshi and Avinuo Kire during yesterday's session of Mysuru Literature Festival 2021.***

Mysuru, Oct. 31 (BCT)- The West knows so little about South Asia. They have no idea how sophisticated and how well developed South Asia was before the West developed. They think they came along and invented everything and have no idea about the rich heritage and ideas that they have gleaned from the East. All the research about the lives of women in Jaipur, their quest for creating an identity for themselves, the efforts of the royal family of Jaipur to empower women let Alka Joshi, the author of her popular debut novel 'The Henna Artist,' realise the development in South Asia which went unnoticed to the world.

Alka Joshi was a panellist of the virtual session 'Rajput pinks and Naga greens: Multi-hued tales' at the fifth edition of Mysuru Literature Festival hosted by Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs-2015 last evening. Her debut novel has taken the literary world by storm and she was in conversation with Jayashree Jagannath.

Born in Jodhpur and settled in the US, Alka's novel which took her 10 years to write, talks of Lakshmi the oppressed protagonist who uses her Henna drawing skills and knowledge of herbal remedies to connect with women who keep their desires under wraps. The novel, set around post-independence in 1955 uses Henna drawings, an integral part of Jaipur culture as a communication tool and as a mood enhancer to get across to several women and help them realise their own desires and sensuality. Alka said her research on the culture of Jaipur, the trends and traditions were based on her interactions with local people.

Along with Jayashree Jagannath, Avinuo Kire, writer and teacher from Kohima, Nagaland, was a co-moderator for this session. She has contributed to various literary journals, anthologies and has authored many short stories. She said that South Asia has a great literary tradition and the works of several writers need to be republished so that the world gets to know more about South Asian culture. Avinuo Kire's short story collection 'The power to forgive' has had a deep impact on the literary world.

Her stories are mainly set in the contemporary time in Kohima. "I'm inspired by everyday reality and traditions, myths, folklore and spirituality which is an integral part of Naga culture," she said.

Considered one of the best contemporary fiction writers in Nagaland, Kire's collection of short stories 'The last light of glory days' speaks of the world where military occupation and magic co-exist.

Earlier, Shubha Sanjay Urs, Chairperson and Director of Mysuru Literature Festival paid tributes to actor Puneeth Rajkumar and postponed the Kannada panel where T.N. Seetharam, Arvind Kuplikar, Preethi Nagraj were to speak as a respect to Kannada film industry.

Virtual session **Date: October 31** **Time: 7.00 pm**

A walk on the wild side

Panellists: Krupakar-Senani

Krupakar-Senani is the dynamic duo of Mysuru who has over the decades done many jaw-dropping adventures in multifaceted actions in various fields. They are wildlife filmmakers, wildlife consultants, photographers, serious students of natural history and highly committed conservationists.

They have done exemplary commissioned work for National Geographic, BBC, Animal Planet, Discovery and ARTE. Their films have won awards and high recognition all over the world. They have written many thrilling books and photo journals based on their experiences. They have set up an NGO "Namma Sangha" with a goal to conserve and nurture forests of the Bandipur Tiger Reserve. This 18-year-old organisation has provided 38,000 LPG connections in 203 villages of the 200 km of the edges of the Bandipur forests to reduce dependency of the habitants on forest. This voluntary work which also educates poor girl students of that region, is considered as the most successful conservation efforts in India.

Moderator: Dinesh Basavapatna

Dinesh Basavapatna is a leading iron and steel dealer by profession but wildlife photography has always been his passion. Fortunately it paired well with his love for travelling. Along the way he became a freelance journalist writing about his stories in the wilderness and his travels. He is now translating a National Geographic-sponsored project, Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Paul Salopek's 'Out of Eden Walk' into Kannada.

It is an epic journey of 34,000 km across three continents in a span of 7 years by walk, started on January 10th, 2013, at Ethiopia. This project is supported by Knight Foundation and Pulitzer Centre for Crisis Reporting. Kannada is the only Indian language selected by National Geographic along with Arabic, Spanish, Italian, Russian, Georgian, Hungarian, Polish, French, and Hebrew for this project.

Moderator: Chaduranga Kantharaj Urs

Chaduranga Kantharaj Urs' passion is understanding life science and wildlife photography.

He loves horse racing, traveling and exploring different cultures and natural history. He is the president of 'Namma Sangha' Bandipur Tiger Reserve.

Baana Dariyalli Surya Jaari Hoda...

A file photo of Puneeth Rajkumar *(extreme right)* ***with his father Dr. Rajkumar and sister Poornima at HOSMAT Hospital in Bengaluru clicked by the author. Also seen are*** *(from left)* ***Hospital Chairman Dr. Thomas Chandy and Dr. Kirshore Murthy (author's husband).***

By Dr. Veena Bharathi

When I met Puneeth Rajkumar for the very first time, it was on the occasion of the *Grihapravesham* function (housewarming ceremony) of **The Lohit Farm House** of Dr. Rajkumar, 30 miles from Bengaluru (on the Mysuru Road), during May-1983. Puneet's original name was Lohit, which was also the name of the Farm House. My elder brother Jayasimha (who has been a close family friend of Dr. Rajkumar, continuing my father's association with their family) had taken Chandru (of the then *Krishna Talkies,* Chamarajanagar) and me to the function.

The evening on the day of the function was Star-studded and very pleasant. The eight-year-old boy Lohit (Puneeth) had mingled with us, telling "That's not only a television, look there, video player is attached!." In between his bubbly conversation, he had started searching for his mother (Parvathamma Rajkumar), pestering her to be seated near him only *Amma, neenellu hogabeda, ille kootuko…!* (Amma, don't go anywhere, *sit here!)*

I again met Puneeth in July 1994, when he constantly accompanied his father, thespian Dr. Rajkumar, for the physiotherapy sessions of the latter. Since my husband was the Chief Administrator of HOSMAT Hospital at that time, I had got the opportunity to monitor Dr. Raj's Physiotherapy sessions and interact with the family for over a period of six weeks. The nineteen-year-old Puneeth then itself was very enthusiastic about the 'Fitness equipment' and had requested me to show and explain the gym-equipment established in the HOSMAT Hospital's Sports' Medicine department.

Just before ending the physiotherapy sessions of Dr. Rajukumar, I had clicked a few photos of Dr. Raj, his daughter Poornima and of Puneeth within the hospital premises. Puneeth, on the other hand, had taken our [doctors'] shots with Dr. Rajkumar. *Barodaa Doctre… tumba thanks!* (See you doctor, thank you so much) were the words, Puneeth used to tell me, each time before he left the hospital along with his sister and father.

I met Puneeth, at his paternal home in Sadashivanagar during August-2000, when Dr. Rajkumar was kidnapped by Forest Brigand Veerappan. Holding back his tears and apprehension Puneeth told me "For the sake of my mother's mental and physical health condition, none of us are shedding any tears. Frankly speaking we really do not know, how to cope up with the situation!"

In 2012, when Puneeth Rajkumar was hosting *Kotyadhipati* reality show in Kannada, he had requested me to put certain of their family photos that I had shot, into a CD and kindly hand over the same at *The Suvarna Channel* Office, on Infantry Road. On his behalf, his maternal uncle Chinne Gowda had called me and I had compiled with his request. Puneeth had sent an SMS to my mobile 'Thank you Doctor!.'

I immensely like his acting in Kannada movie *Milana* and as a child artiste, his unparalled acting in *Bettada Hoovu, Bhakta Prahlada* and *Chalisuva Modagalu*.

An inheritor of his father's nose, acting potential and simplicity combined with down to earth attitude, I am quite perturbed and trying to seek an answer for my question "why did Puneeth leave so early without telling any of us — *Barodaa Doctre…..*"

Namma kangala bisiya hanigalu neevirada vyathe helide…. [our warm tears are revealing the pathos of your absence…]

Sandalwood's prince, *Yuva Rathna* though has disappeared, has attained immortality through his commitment to his successful career and social welfare activities. *Baana Daariyalli Surya Jaari hoda…*

Puneeth's death: Three more commit suicide; three die of heart attack

Mysuru, Oct. 31 (KS)- Three more persons have committed suicide, while three others have died of heart attack on learning about the death of sandalwood actor Puneeth Rajkumar (Appu).

While Ashok (40), an auto driver at K.R. Nagar, Rahul Gadivaddar (26), of Belagavi and Sharath (30), of Chikkamagalur reportedly committed suicide, Lokesh (47), an artist of K.R. Pet, Suresh (46), a film story writer of Bharatinagar and Jnanamurthy Ningapura (40), of Koppal, suffered a heart attack and died on learning about the death of their favourite actor.

Ashok was said to be depressed on learning about the demise of Puneeth on Friday and after taking part in the procession, to pay homage to the actor, Ashok is said to have jumped into the canal on the outskirts of K.R. Nagar and ended his live. The Fire and Emergency Services personnel have launched an operation to fish out the body from the canal.

Lokesh

Suresh

Rahul Gadivaddar is a staunch follower of late Puneeth and on Friday evening, he along with his friends had paid tributes to the late actor. After coming home, Rahul reportedly took the extreme step by hanging self at his house. A case has been registered at Athani Police Station.

Sharath of Rampura in Chikkamagalur, who was very much depressed over the death of Puneeth Rajkumar, was said to be weeping bitterly while watching the death news on TV till Friday evening and hanged self at the house on Friday night.

Suresh from Bharatinagar, a die-hard fan of Puneeth and a script writer for films and TV serials, who wanted to be identified in film land had gone to Bengaluru on many occasions. It is learnt that Suresh had written stories for 'Halli Lifu' and 'Pyate Hudugaru,' which were yet to be released.

On learning about the death of Puneeth, Suresh is said to have collapsed and breathed his last while being shifted to a hospital.

Artist Lokesh, Proprietor of Loki Arts at K.R. Pet, was a fan of late Dr. Rajkumar and a die-hard fan of Puneeth and his brother Shivarajkumar; He used to watch their films on the first day first show.

On Friday, while watching TV which was telecasting the death news of Puneeth Rajkumar, he is said to have suffered a heart attack and collapsed. Though he was rushed to a hospital, he breathed his last after failing to respond to the treatment.

Jnanamurthy of Koppal, who was running a grocery store, was also a die-hard fan of the late actor, who used to watch the new release of Puneeth's films on the first day first show itself. Janamurthy, who suffered a heart attack and collapsed on at his house on learning about Puneeth's death, was admitted to a hospital, where he breathed his last.

Solar power project: Couple duped of Rs. 1.18 crore

Mysuru, Oct. 31 (RK&KS)- A couple from city have been allegedly duped by conmen to the tune of Rs. 1.18 crore in the guise of investing for a Solar Power Project and a case has been registered against the four conmen at city's CEN (Cyber Crime, Economic Offences & Narcotics) Police Station.

Ashok and Vijayalakshmi, residents of KHB Colony on Ooty Road in Nanjangud, are the couple who have been duped and they have lodged a complaint against 60-year-old Govindaraju of Roopa Nagar 3rd Cross, 50-year-old Dinesh of C&D Block in Kuvempunagar, 55-year-old Vijay of Bengaluru and 45-year-old Ramachandra of Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu with City's CEN Police, who have registered a case under IPC Section 406 and 420 on Oct. 8 against the 4 accused.

Details: Ashok and Vijayalakshmi couple were more into investing in mutual funds and Govindaraju, who was their financial advisor, told them to invest in solar power projects to earn high returns. In 2018, Govindaraju had brought Dinesh and had introduced him (Dinesh) to the couple as the Proprietor of Excellent Solar, who was into solar power projects by investing crores of rupees.

Dinesh, who met the couple after a few days, gave them a few investment application forms and told them to invest in this particular solar project to get high returns. Dinesh then introduced Vijay to the couple and had told them that Vijay was a financier in Singapore, who had invested in the solar power project thus making the couple believe that there were investors from abroad too.

In their complaint, the couple has alleged that Govindaraju, Dinesh, Vijay and Ramachandra of Coimbatore told them to invest in the 10 MW Solar Power Park project for which the minimum investment was between Rs. 1.3 crore and Rs. 1.5 crore. The couple, who were already into investing in mutual funds, believed that investing crores of rupees in solar power project was profitable and as people from foreign countries were investing in this solar project, it was indeed very profitable.

The couple then withdrew the money they had investing in mutual funds and paid a total of Rs. 1,17,83,000 for investing in solar projects in four instalments from Sept. 15, 2018 to Nov. 13 through cheques, which have been transferred to the bank accounts of Dinesh and Govindaraju.Ashok and Vijayalakshmi couple, who waited for three years did not receive a penny as profit for their investment and sensing that they have been taken for a ride, lodged a complaint with CEN Police, who have registered a case and investigating.

Man sentenced to life for murdering wife

Mysuru, Oct. 31 (SPN&DM)- A city Court has sentenced a man to life imprisonment for brutally stabbing his wife to death.

Jayakrishna of Kayyamballi village in T. Narasipur taluk is the one who has been sentenced.

Jayakrishna, who had married Shivamma, a resident of Triveni Nagar in T. Narasipur town, suspected his wife's fidelity and used to often quarrel with her.

Shivamma, who was deeply disappointed with the attitude of her husband, had warned of divorcing him. Upset over his wife Shivamma's warning, Jayakrishna, followed her as she walked to her home at Kayyamballi after returning from T. Narasipur on June 27, 2019, picked up a quarrel with her and brutally stabbed her to death. The then T. Narasipur Circle Inspector Lava, who had arrested Jayakrishna had filed a charge-sheet against him in the Court.

The City's 7th Additional District and Sessions Court Judge Yashwanth Kumar, who heard the case on Friday, held Jayakrishna guilty and sentenced him to life imprisonment besides imposing a penalty of Rs.10,000.

Public Prosecutor K. Nagaraj argued on behalf of the State.

Some special train coaches to run unreserved

Mysuru, Oct. 31- For the convenience of passengers, South Western Railway (SWR) has decided to de-reserve some Second Class Seating Coaches and have earmarked them as unreserved coaches to permit unreserved commuter travel in nominated trains.

The details of these Special Trains along with the number of coaches to be run as unreserved with effect from their respective dates are as under:

1. Train No. 07301/07302 Mysuru - Dharwad - Mysuru Express Special will run with 2 Second Class Seating Coaches (D4, D5) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

2. Train No. 06531 KSR Bengaluru - Mangaluru Central Express Special will run with 2 Second Class Seating Coaches (D3, D4) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

3. Train No. 06201/06202 Mysuru - KSR Bengaluru - Mysuru Superfast Express Special will run with 8 Second Class Seating Coaches (D11-D18) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

4. Train No. 06295/06296 Mysuru - Talguppa - Mysuru Express Special will run with 8 Second Class Seating Coaches (D11-D18) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

5. Train No. 07357/07358 Yesvantpur - Shivamogga Town - Yesvantpur Intercity Special will run with 4 Second Class Seating Coaches (D9-D12) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

6. Train No. 06529/06530 KSR Bengaluru - Talguppa - KSR Bengaluru Intercity Express Special will run with 8 Second Class Seating Coaches (D11-D18) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

7. Train No. 02725/02726 KSR Bengaluru - Dharwad - KSR Bengaluru Superfast Intercity Express Special will run with 7 Second Class Seating Coaches (D11-D17) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

8. Train No. 06589 KSR Bengaluru - Miraj Express Special will run with 1 Second Class Seating Coach (D2) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 08.11.2021.

9. Train No. 06227/06228 Mysuru - Talguppa - Mysuru Express Special will run with 2 Second Class Seating Coaches (D2, D4) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 08.11.2021.

10. Train No. 06549/06550 KSR Bengaluru - Belagavi - KSR Bengaluru Superfast Express Special will run with 1 Second Class Seating Coach (D3) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

11. Train No. 07373 Yesvantpur - SSS Hubballi Weekly Express Special will run with 2 Second Class Seating Coaches (D3, D4) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 29.10.2021.

12. Train No.07374 SSS Hubballi - Yesvantpur Weekly Express Special will run with 2 Second Class Seating Coaches (D3, D4) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 30.10.2021.

13. Train No. 06581 SSS Hubballi - Mysuru Express Special will run with 2 Second Class Seating Coaches (D3, D4) earmarked as unreserved with effect from 01.11.2021.

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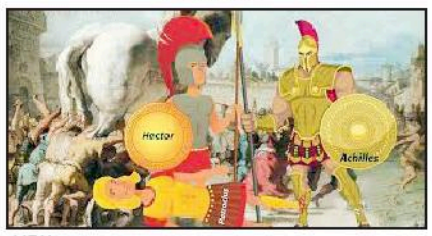
All passengers are requested to follow all norms of the State and Central Government regarding COVID-19 in trains and at the Railway Stations including social distancing, sanitisation etc. may be followed. All COVID-19 precautions mentioned in MHA should also be ensured, according to a press release from Aneesh Hegde, Chief Public Relations Officer (PRO), SWR, Hubballi.

WORD OF THE DAY

Hector



Pronunciation: HEK-ter.
Meaning: To criticise or question in a threatening manner.
Origin: In Homer's Iliad, Hector, the eldest son of King Priam of Troy, was a model soldier, son, father, and friend, the champion of the Trojan army until he was killed by the Greek hero Achilles. So how did his name become a verb meaning "to intimidate or harrass"? That use was likely influenced by gangs of rowdy street toughs who roamed London in the 17th century and called themselves "Hectors." They may have thought themselves gallant young blades, but to the general populace they were swaggering bullies who intimidated passersby and vandalized property.
Example: "In budget meetings, ... Freeman hectored local publishers, demanding that they produce detailed numbers off the top of their head and then humiliating them when they couldn't. — McKay Coppins, The Atlantic, 14 Oct. 2021.

THE ODD WORD

Halitus

Vapour; breath.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Have the time of your life

Meaning: To enjoy yourself very much.
Origin: No one knows for sure what the origin of the idiom 'having the time of your life' is. This interesting phrase is derived from an even older one, 'having a good time,' which Sir Walter Scott introduced in his novel Rob Roy, which was written in 1817.
Example: "He had the time of his life working on the ranch."

QUOTE BOX

If you want to live a happy life, tie it to a goal, not to people or things.

—Albert Einstein

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

JOBINJOB

Answer: In between jobs.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee
5 Aliens?
8 Not that!
12 Inconceivably large
14 Short person
15 High distinction
16 Fearsome giant
17 Order of St. Augustine
18 Uncle's relative, you'll agree?
20 Woodwind instruments
23 Record
24 Building wings
25 Imaginary line where the earth meets the sky?
28 Fish eggs - "ore" anagram?
29 One who imitates
30 RK's ___ Aaj Aur ___
32 Capital of Sri Lanka
34 Father or daddy
35 Harem rooms
36 Assignation
37 Stratagem
40 Chief executive officer, in short
41 Mine, in Aix
42 Tree with hard rough wood
47 Chinese: Prefix
48 World of scholars
49 British gun
50 Experiments may be carried out here, in short
51 Completed

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	F	T		M	E	E	T			P	E	R
C	O	O		U	N	F	I	T		U	N	O
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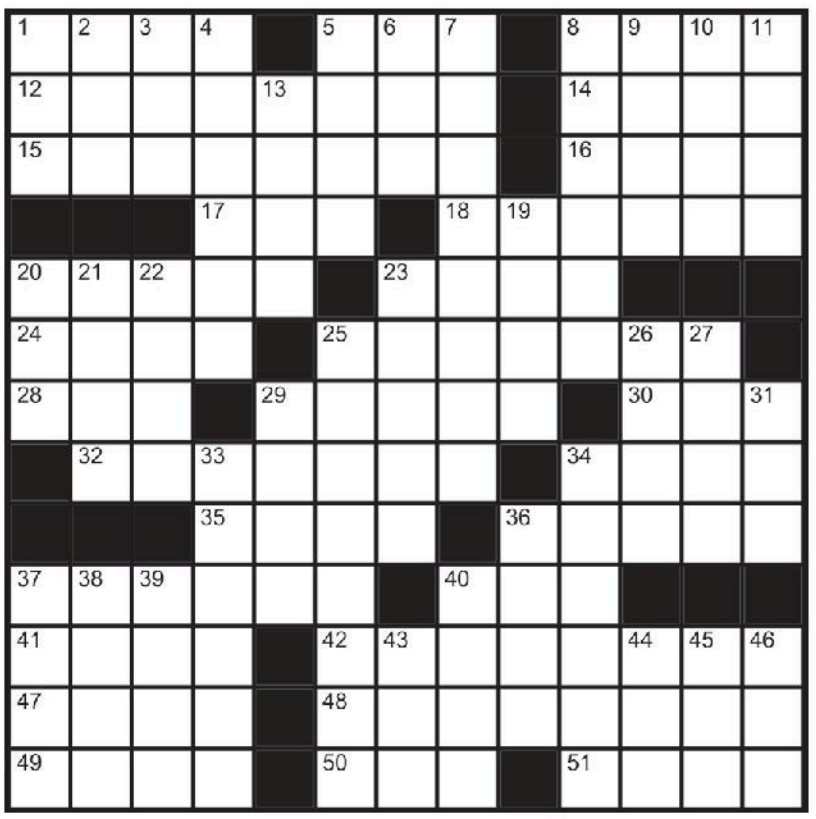
DOWN

1 Period of human life
2 __ ___ sixteen going on.... Sound of Music song? (1,2)
3 Foreman foe
4 "Oceans" anagram for boats?
5 Sicilian volcano
6 Facial twitch
7 Plan of action
8 St - on Riviera
9 Grant or Laurie of Hollywood
10 Concerning, in legal terms (2,2)
11 Cook by boiling slowly
13 Tax
19 Heroic tale
20 Over in verse
21 Political alliance
22 Bread spread?
23 Burial places
25 ____ Pradesh: North Indian state
26 Alright
27 Sleeps briefly
29 Our PM Narendra ___
31 Latitude, abbr.
33 Medicinal or cosmetic liquid preparation applied to skin
34 Examined
36 Watch over
37 Pravda's provider
38 Leg spinner ___ Mishra
39 Ice-cream cornet?
40 Grouch
43 Wood sorrel, cultivated in South America for its edible tubers
44 Comedian Philips
45 Own, for the Scottish people
46 __ West : life-jacket?



SUDOKU

1							2	
2					6	1	4	7
				2				
3		1					9	
5			9		3			1
	7					4		3
				5				
7	6	3	4					5
	8							6

Answer to previous puzzle

6	7	5	2	1	3	4	9	8
3	2	4	5	9	8	7	6	1
8	1	9	4	6	7	3	2	5
4	9	3	6	8	1	5	7	2
1	5	6	9	7	2	8	3	4
7	8	2	3	5	4	6	1	9
5	6	8	1	3	9	2	4	7
2	3	1	7	4	5	9	8	6
9	4	7	8	2	6	1	5	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

JF ANWLI'F KVFFWX JG V UVF JL MEVUT NX

BCJFW, LN ENIO VL JF UVFUCWL KJUW.

TODAY'S CLUE: A EQUALS D

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Young is the one that plunges in the future and never looks back.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

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- **Thibbadevi Theatre** Ph: 2452958
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  Salaga (K) - 4 shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** Ph: 2443568
  Salaga (K) - 4 shows
- **Skyline Theatre** Ph: 2481170
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  Salaga (K) - 4 shows
- **Sterling Theatre** Ph: 2481170
  Kotigobba 3 (K) - 4 shows
- **Padma Theatre** Ph: 2521923
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- **Lido Theatre** Ph: 2420885
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- **Rajkamal Theatre** Ph: 2423554
  Varudu Kaavalenu (Te) - 4 shows
- **Balaji Theatre** Ph: 2497199
  Aranmanai 3 (Ta) - 4 shows
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Bhajarangi-2	(S-1)	8.10 am, 1.05 pm 3.55 pm, 6.55 pm
	(S-2)	10.15 am
	(S-4)	8.30 am, 2.15 pm
Venom: Let There Be Carnage (E)	(S-1)	11.10 am; (S-4) 5.20 pm
Doctor (Ta)	(S-2)	1.15 pm
Romantic (Te)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
Varudu Kaavalenu (Te)	(S-2)	7.00 pm
Salaga (K)	(S-3)	10.30 am
Ninna Sanihake (K)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Kotigobba 3 (K)	(S-3)	4.05 pm, 6.50 pm
	(S-4)	11.30 am
Ron's Gone Wrong (3D-E)	(S-4)	7.30 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — Ph: 2533444 / 2533456

Bhajarangi-2	(S-1)	11.40 am, 3.05 pm, 6.30 pm
	(S-2)	2.05 pm, 5.30 pm
	(S-3)	10.00 am; (S-4) 9.30 am
Illinda Arambhavaagide (K)	(S-4)	12.50 pm
Salaga (K)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Kotigobba 3 (K)	(S-3)	1.20 pm, 6.55 pm
Varudu Kaavalenu (Te)	(S-4)	6.50 pm
Venom: Let There Be Carnage (E)	(S-3)	4.25 pm
Ninna Sanihake (K)	(S-2)	10.40 am

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Bhajarangi 2 (K)	:	8.50 am, 11.00 am, 11.40 am 12.10 pm, 2.20 pm, 3.00 pm 3.30 pm, 6.20 pm, 6.50 pm
Kotigobba 3 (K)	:	11.00 am, 3.30 pm
Salaga (K)	:	1.25 pm, 6.45 pm
Ron's Gone Wrong (3D-E)	:	2.15 pm, 7.20 pm
Venom: Let There Be Carnage (3D-E)	:	4.55 pm
Halloween Kills (E)	:	10.45 am, 4.25 pm, 7.05 pm
Star (Ma)	:	5.40 pm
Varudu Kaavalenu (Te)	:	12.30 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Bhajarangi 2 (K)	:	9.30 am, 11.30 am, 12.15 pm, 2.50 pm, 3.35, 6.10, 6.55 pm
Kotigobba 3 (K)	:	12.50 pm
Salaga (K)	:	3.40 pm
Venom: Let There Be Carnage (3D-E)	:	7.35 pm
Varudu Kaavalenu (Te)	:	6.40 pm
Dune (E)	:	4.05 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Kotigobba 3 (K)	(S-1)	11.00 am, 4.15 pm, 7.15 pm
Salaga (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm; (S-4) 7.00 pm
Bhajarangi 2 (K)	(S-2)	7.00 pm
	(S-3)	8.15 am, 11.15 am 2.15 pm, 5.30 pm
O Madhu (Te)	(S-4)	1.45 pm
Doctor (Ta)	(S-4)	4.00 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

PM Modi meets Pope at Vatican

Tweets "Invited Him To Visit India"

Vatican City, Oct. 31- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has invited Pope Francis to India after a one-on-one meeting in Vatican City on Saturday.

He was accompanied by National Security Advisor Ajit Doval and Foreign Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar. The meeting was scheduled only for 20 minutes but went on for an hour, a news agency reported.

"Had a very warm meeting with Pope Francis. I had the opportunity to discuss a wide range of issues with him and also invited him to visit India," said a tweet from PM Modi's personal account.

PM Modi and the Pope discussed a wide range of issues aimed at making our planet better such as fighting climate change and removing poverty, sources said. "It may be recalled that the last Papal Visit happened in 1999 when Atal Bihari Vajpayee was the Prime Minister and Pope John Paul II came to India. Now it is during PM Modi's Prime Ministerial term that the Pope has been invited to visit India," sources said.

The meeting took place ahead of the delegation-level talks during which they are expected to discuss a range of issues such as COVID-19.

PM Modi is on a two-day visit to Rome for the G20 Summit at the invitation of Italian Prime Minister Mario Draghi. There was no set agenda

for the talks with the Pope. "I believe tradition is not to have an agenda when you discuss issues with His Holiness. And I think we respect that. I'm sure the issues that will be covered would cover a range of areas of interests in terms of the general global perspectives and issues that are important to all of us," Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla had said yesterday.

PM Modi then headed to Glasgow in the UK for the COP26 meeting at the invitation of British Prime Minister Boris Johnson. The PM interacted with people of various communities, including the Indian community and friends of India from different organisations, in the Italian capital on Friday.

Earlier, PM Modi had paid floral tributes at the bust of Mahatma Gandhi in Rome.

EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 31)

- **Gandhi Shilp Bazaar**: Exhibition-cum-sale of handicrafts, JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Hebbal, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Indian Art & Craft House and Festiworld:** Expo-cum-Sale of handlooms and handicrafts, Open Ground near Apollo Hospital, Kuvempunagar, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **Nrityagiri Performing Arts & Research Centre:** 'Ekatvam, a conjoining of art and heart,' Bharatanatyam recital by K.M. Samiksha and Pooja Sugam, disciples of S. Vijay Kumar, Musical Ensemble: Vijay Kumar, Chennai - nattuvanga, R. Raghuram, Bengaluru - vocal, Nagai P. Sriram, Chennai - mridanga and A.P. Krishna Prasad, Mysuru - flute; J. Jayanth, Member - Food Corporation, India, H.V. Rajeev, Chairman - MUDA, Mysuru and Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra, Renowned Bharatanatyam Artiste and Director - Nrityalaya Trust, Mysuru, chief guests, Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, Renowned Bharatanatyam Artiste and Director - VPAC, Mysuru, presides, 16/1, Preethi Layout, Srirampura 3rd Stage, **5.30 pm.**
- **Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs-2015:** 5th edition of Mysuru Literature Festival (virtual), Hybrid session (venue + virtual) — **Panellists - Krupakar, Senani, Chaduranga Kantharaj Urs and B.S. Dinesh** (all from Mysuru), Topic - A walk on the wild side, Hotel Southern Star (Only for Book Club Members), **7 pm to 8.30 pm.** [Live Telecast on YouTube and Facebook handle: **Mysuru Literature Festival;** For details, contact Mob: 99802-50114]

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV. 1)

- **CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysuru and Kannada Sahrudaya Balaga:** Kannada Rajyotsava, Kannada Flag hoisting by former MP R. Dhruvanarayan and CSIR-CFTRI Director Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh, Cheluvamba Mansion, **8.30 am.**
- **District Administration, Mysuru:** Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations, District Minister S.T. Somashekar hoists Flag, Mayor Sunanda Palanetra, MPs Pratap Simha, V. Sreenivasa Prasad and Sumalatha Ambarish chief guests, Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises, **9 am.**
- **JSS Arts, Commerce and Science College:** Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations, Chief Executive Prof. B.V. Sambashivaiah presides, Rangayana Mysuru Director Addanda C. Cariappa chief guest, Degree College Principal Dr. H.C. Honnappa and PU College Principal S. Somashekar will be present, College premises, **9.30 am.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Bombe Mane - Doll expo, Nazarbad, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**
- **T. Narayanashastry Pratishtana:** Antyakshari (Kannada-Sanskrit poems), Sanskrit Scholar Vid. Dr. H.V. Nagaraj Rao presides, retd. Professor of NIE Dr. Yadupati Putty delivers keynote address, Journalism Department Head Dr. Niranjan Vanalli guest of honour, Mysore Vasudevacharya's residence, Sayyaji Rao Road, **4 pm.**
- **Kalaradhane, Vidyaranyapuram:** Musical programme to mark 66th Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations and in memory of announcer Mike Chandru, playback singer Vyasaraj and troupe will render old Kannada songs, accompanied by Music Director A.S. Prasanna Kumar, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **5 pm. [Mob: 94480-53362]**
- **Ganabharathi:** Bharatanayam recital by Pooja Sugam and K.M. Samiksha, accompanied by Vid. Vijay Kumar, Chennai - Nattuvanga, Vid. R. Raghuram, Bengaluru - Vocal, Vid. Nagai P. Sriram, Chennai - Mridanga and Vid. A.P. Krishnaprasad, Mysuru - Flute. Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play *Sutradhaara* by Rangayana, Mysuru (written by S. Ramanath, music by R.C. Dhananjaya and directed by Mahesh Kallatti), Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP 2021

SUPER 12

TODAY'S MATCHES (OCTOBER 31)

Afghanistan Vs
Namibia - 3.30 pm

India Vs
New Zealand - 7.30 pm

TOMORROW'S MATCH (NOVEMBER 1)

England Vs
Sri Lanka - 7.30 pm

TUESDAY'S MATCHES (NOVEMBER 2)

South Africa Vs
Bangladesh - 3.30 pm

Pakistan Vs
Namibia - 7.30 pm

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Sri Lanka - 142 (20)
Lose to
South Africa - 146/6 (19.5)

Australia - 125 (20)
Lose to
England - 126/2 (11.4)

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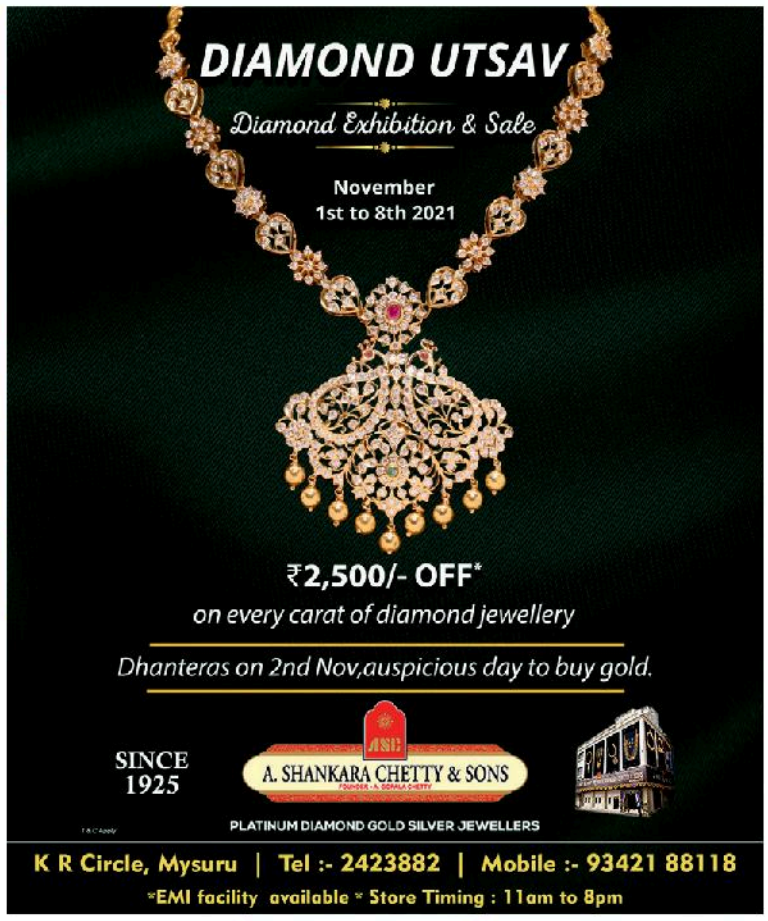
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The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of The Cosmos Co-Operative Bank Limited, Bengaluru Branch, No.125/126 "Abalashrama Building" Dr.DVG Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru -560 004 under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) of the Act read with Rule 2 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice dated 10-05-2021 calling upon the borrower Mr.Yedaguri Rajeev Reddy (Borrower) & Mrs.Manjula Reddy Yedaguri (Co-Borrower cum Mortgagor) Both R/o. P.No. A21, C21, 8-2-293/82/F/A/A,21/C21, Co-operative, Filmnagar, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad – 500 034 and others to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.3,69,60,673.60 (Rupees Three Crores Sixty Nine Lakhs Sixty Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Three and Paise Sixty Only) as on 31-03-2021 together with future interest at contractual rate within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower, Co-Borrower cum Mortgagor and others having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower, Co-Borrower cum Mortgagor, Guarantors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described below in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this 28TH of October, 2021.

The Borrower, Co-Borrower cum Mortgagor, Guarantors in particular and the Public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of The Cosmos Co-operative Bank Limited, Bengaluru Branch, No.125/126 "Abalashrama Building" Dr. D V G Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru -560 004 for an amount of Rs.3,69,60,673.60 (Rupees Three Crores Sixty Nine Lakhs Sixty Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Three and Paise Sixty Only) as on 31-03-2021 together with future interest at contractual rate.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY – I

All that part and parcel of land and building property old Sy.No.106/B and 108/A, (presently situated in Sy.No.106/1 and 108/2) converted for industrial purpose vide ALN.No.128/88-89, dated 26.12.1989, Katha/Assessment No.264, 264/A and 264/B situated at Belavatha Village, Kasaba Hobli, Mysore Taluk, measuring East to West: 252+237/2, 262 Ft measuring towards East side and 237 Ft measuring towards Western side. North to South 146+140/2, 146 ft measuring towards Northern side and 140 ft measuring towards Southern side total in all 33,759 Sq.Ft. and actual measuring 34,963 Sq.Ft together with all the building, structures, fittings and fixtures, built up area 9500.96 Sq.Ft, thereon and bounded by :

North	Private Property
South	Outer Ring Road
East	Bengaluru-Mysuru Road
West	Private Property

(Property Belongs to Mrs.Manjula Reddy Yedaguri)

Sd/- Authorized Officer/Chief Manager
The Cosmos Co-operative Bank Ltd,
Bengaluru Branch, Bengaluru -560004
Ph.No. 080-26620056/57

Date: 28.10.2021
Place: Bengaluru

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